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Media Advisory

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY HAS AWARDED A GRANT TO THE ARIZONA PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS' ADVISORY COUNCIL TO ENHANCE DUI / IMPAIRED DRIVING TRAINING AND EDUCATION

The Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety ("GOHS") has awarded a \$15,000 grant to the Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council ("APAAC") to enhance DUI /Impaired Driving Training and Education statewide. APAAC is composed of twenty-three (23) Council members, including the Attorney General, the fifteen elected county attorneys, five chief municipal prosecutors, a representative of the Administrative Office of the Arizona Supreme Court, and the dean of one of the state's law schools. The primary mission of APAAC is to train state, county, and municipal prosecutors across Arizona. APAAC receives no state general fund revenues and depends on a continuing appropriation through the Criminal Justice Enhancement Fund to provide the necessary training and education of public prosecutors. APAAC's training courses are attended by nearly 2,000 people each year, for an annual average of 198 continuing legal education (CLE) hours. GOHS recognizes that DUI-related offenses pose a significant threat to the community, and APAAC training will provide prosecutors with training to address the accompanying complex legal issues. With the \$15,000 grant received from GOHS, APAAC will host approximately 28 prosecutors from across the state at an Advanced DUI Training Course in Phoenix, Arizona, from September 20-22, 2017. APAAC is grateful for the opportunity to partner with GOHS in support of APAAC's mission statement of *"Empowering Arizona's prosecutors through training and advocacy to serve as Ministers of Justice."* -30-